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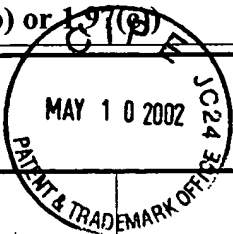
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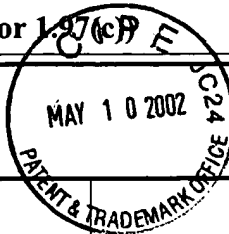
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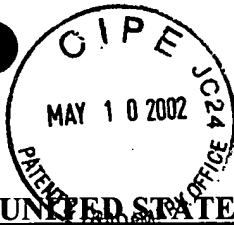
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. PCT Application No, WO 00/50950, dated August 31, 2000;
2. European Patent Application No. EP 1 087 248 A1, published March 28, 2001;
3. European Patent Application No. 0 686 863 A1, published December 13, 1995;
4. European Patent Application No. EP 0 778 657 A1, published June 11, 1997;

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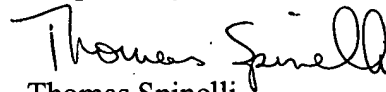
5. Patent Abstract of Japan Publication No. 62210418, published September 16, 1987;
6. Patent Abstracts of Japan Publication No. 01195414, published August 7, 1989; and
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,748,172, dated May 5, 1998 issued to Song et al.

The references were cited in a Search Report received from the European Patent Office dated March 21, 2002. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. Please note that the other reference cited in the Search Report, namely, U.S. Patent No. 6,122,089, dated September 19, 2000 was filed in applicant's previously submitted Information Disclosure Statement dated November 16, 2001. The relevance of the references is described in the Search Report.

Applicants are also submitting herewith a Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.704(d). No fee is required.

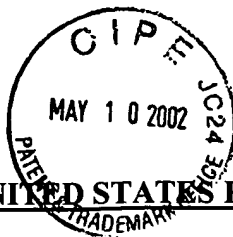
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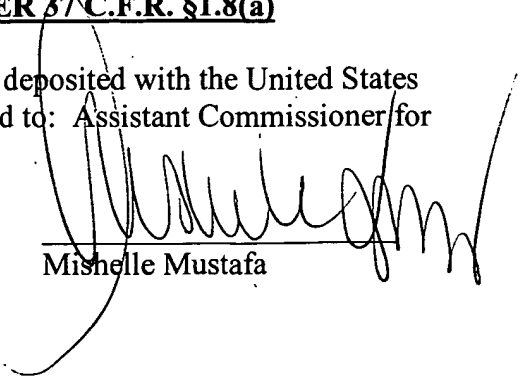
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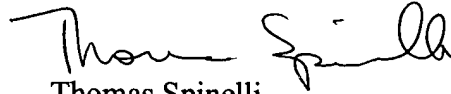
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Therefore, the Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith cannot be considered a failure to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude prosecution of the application under paragraphs (c)(6), (c) (8), (c) (9), or (c) (10) of 37 C.F.R. § 1.704.

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